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15	FRANK JOSEPH CARDERELLA,	Case No. CV 09-8299-R (MANx)	
16	Plaintiff,	STATEMENT OF GENUINE	
17	vs.	ISSUES IN OPPOSITION	
18)	TO MOTION FOR SUMMARY	
	JANET NAPOLITANO, as Secretary) of the Department of Homeland)	JUDGMENT	
19	Security,		
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21	Defendant.		
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23	MOVING PARTY ALLEGED	RESPONSES	
24	UNCONTROVERTED FACTS		
25	1. In late 1995 and throughout 1996,	1. Undisputed.	
	the Immigration and Naturalization		
26	Service ("INS") sought to increase is workforce by hiring hundreds of new		
27	employees. In particular, the Los		
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1	Angeles Field Office received approval	
2	to increase the number of DEOs by	
. ,	more than 50%. (Declaration of	
3	Beverly K. Wilson ["Wilson Decl."],	
4	¶2.)	
5	2. INS's custom and practice for the	2. Undisputed.
	selection of the DEOs at this time was	_
6	as follows: First, the INS personnel	
7	office would review the applications	
	and create a list of qualified applicants,	
8	i.e., those individuals who met specific	
9	criteria for the position. Second, the	
10	administrative assistants or supervisory	
	detention enforcement officers would	
11	contact the applicants to arrange	*
12	interviews. Before any interviews were	
13	conducted, however, lists of questions	
13	relevant to the position were created for	
14	the interview panels to ask each	
15	applicant. Each interview panel	•
	consisted of two to three INS	
16	employees. The panels were not	
17	allowed to deviate from the list of	
18	questions in order to make certain that	
	each applicant was asked the same	
19	questions, regardless of who was on the	
20	panel. (<i>Id.</i> , ¶¶4-5.)	2 TT 1' . 1
21	3. The panels then would interview the	3. Undisputed.
21	applicant based on the list of set	
22	questions. Each interviewing official	
23	on the panel would complete a written	
	evaluation regarding the applicant and	
24	also submit a written recommendation	
25	for each applicant: "not	
26	recommended," "recommended" or "highly recommended." These	
۷٥	evaluations and recommendations then	
2.7	would be forwarded to Beverly Wilson,	
28	would be forwarded to beverly witson,	

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1	who was the Deputy Assistant District	
2	Director for Detention and Deportation	
	at the time of the incident alleged in the	
3	Complaint. (<i>Id.</i> , ¶6.)	
4	4. As Deputy Assistant District	4. Undisputed.
5	Director, Mrs. Wilson would make	_
	final recommendations for the DEO	
6	positions by submitting the	
7	applications of those individuals who	
	had been graded "highly	•
8	recommended" by the interviewing	
.9	officials to the District Director, who at	
10	the time of the incident alleged in the	
	Complaint, was Richard Rogers.	
11	Director Rogers generally would	
12	concur and authorize selections based	
13	on the final recommendations. ($Id.$, ¶¶	
13	6-7.)	
14	5. Plaintiff states that he is a white	5. Undisputed.
15	Catholic male of Italian descent. In	
1.0	November, 1995, Plaintiff applied for a	
16	Detention Enforcement Officer	
17	("DEO") position with the Immigration	
18	and Naturalization Service ("INS") in	
	the Los Angeles Field Office. (Compl.,	
19	¶ 5 & 9.)	C 11. 1: 1
20	6. Defendant currently has no records	6. Undisputed.
21	or files regarding the particular vacancy announcement that Plaintiff	
	applied under for the DEO position.	
22	The respective INS offices, or Office of	
23	Personnel Management, that could	
24	have advertised this particular vacancy	
24	announcement during this period	
25	followed a two-year file retention	
26	schedule for vacancy announcements.	
7.	(Declaration of Linda M. Smithson, ¶¶	
27	2-3.)	
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1	7. Since the relevant vacancy	7. Undisputed that the records were
2	announcement occurred in 1995-1996,	destroyed. Disputed that the
3	these records are past the two-year	destruction of the records was in
3	retention schedule and appear to have	accordance with a two year retention
4	been destroyed in accordance with that	policy. The records and files relevant
5	schedule. (Id., ¶4.)	to the vacancy were required by INS
6		policy to be preserved
		because the INS had received notice
7		upon the filing of the Plaintiff's
8		complaint for discrimination that said
9		records and files may be relevant to
9		the alleged claim for discrimination (Deposition of Kamala Hampton
10		("Hampton") Pg.34, Lines 8-25)
11	8. There were approximately 25	8. Undisputed.
12	available DEO positions under this	o. Chaispatea.
12	vacancy announcement. (Declaration	
13	of AUSA Sekret T. Sneed ["Sneed	
14	Decl."], ¶2, Ex. A, at pp. 40-21-41:8.)	
15	9. Also in November, 1995, Plaintiff	9. Undisputed.
	applied for an immigration inspector	
16	position with INS, specifically	
17	requesting the geographic area of San	
18	Diego-San Ysidro, California.	
İ	(Declaration of Robert L. Turner, ¶2,	
19	Ex. A.)	10 II. 1'
20	10. At the time Plaintiff applied for the	10. Undisputed.
21	DEO and immigration inspector positions in November 1995, he was	
	employed by the Federal Bureau of	
22	Prisons as a case manager at the	
23	Federal Correctional Institution in	
24	Terminal Island. (Sneed Decl., ¶2, Ex.	
	A. At p. 18-12.)	
25	11. In or around March 1996, INS	11. Undisputed.
26	hired Plaintiff as an immigration	_
27	inspector in San Ysidro, California.	
20	(<i>Id.</i> , at p. 77:20-22.)	
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1	12. After Plaintiff began working as an	12. Undisputed.
2	immigration inspector, Plaintiff learned	
2	that the INS wanted to telephonically	
3	interview him for the DEO position. In	
4	or around May 1996, Rafael Roldan,	
5	who at the time of the interview was an	
	INS Detention and Deportation Officer,	
6	and Denise Weaver-Lopez, who at the	
7	time of the interview was an INS	
8	Deportation Officer, interviewed	
	Plaintiff. (<i>Id.</i> , at pp. 35:12-39:15.)	
9	13. Officer Roldan and Officer	13. Undisputed.
10	Weaver-Lopez ultimately	
11	recommended Plaintiff for the DEO	
11	position (Compl., ¶9.)	
12	14. Mrs. Wilson does not remember	14. Undisputed.
13	the identities of the individuals who	
	were on the list of "highly	
14	recommended" applicants that she	
15	received for the vacancy announcement	
16	at issue here. She also does not	
10	remember who she recommended to	
17	Director Rogers for selection for this	
18	particular announcement. (Wilson	
	Decl., ¶9.)	15 Discreted Law (Colont anidomania
19	15. It was Mrs. Wilson's custom and	15. Disputed. Insufficient evidence is
20	practice, however, to never make any	offered to support any custom and
21	decisions for hiring or selection based	practice on the part of Mrs. Wilson. (See Evidentiary Objections filed to
	on any prohibited characteristics, like race, national origin, religion or sex.	the Decl. of Ms. Wilson filed
22	(<i>Id.</i> , ¶10.)	concurrently herewith No. 6)
23	16. Further, it was Mrs. Wilson's	16. Disputed. Insufficient evidence is
24	custom and practice to consider the	offered to support any custom and
	recommendations for the interviewing	practice on the part of Mrs. Wilson.
25	officials and to verify that those	(See Evidentiary Objections filed to
26	applicants recommended by the	the Decl. of Ms. Wilson filed
27	interviewing officials met the minimum	concurrently herewith No. 6)
41	qualifications for the position. The	_
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1	interviewing official's	
2	recommendations never included any	·
3	information regarding an applicant's	
١	race, national origin, or religion, and	
4	Mrs. Wilson never attempted to	
5	discover this information in any way	
	prior to, during, or after making a	
6	decision for hiring or selection. (<i>Id.</i>)	
7	17. Mrs. Wilson always followed this	17. Disputed. Insufficient evidence is
8	custom and practice in making final	offered to support any custom and
	recommendations for hiring, and, as a	practice on the part of Mrs. Wilson.
9	result, she knows that she followed	(See Evidentiary Objections filed to
10	such custom and practice in hiring for	the Decl. of Ms. Wilson filed
11	the vacancy announcement that	concurrently herewith No. 6)
++	Plaintiff applied for. (<i>Id.</i>)	10 D: + 1 D! + 100: + 0
12	18. Moreover, at the time of the	18. Disputed. Plaintiff is informed and
13	incident alleged in the Complaint, Mrs.	believes that when he filled out the
	Wilson had not yet met Plaintiff, and	application for the DEO position he
14	she did not know Plaintiff's race,	completed a portion of the application
15	national origin, or religion when she	identifying his race, national origin
16	made final recommendations for filling the DEO positions. (<i>Id.</i> , ¶11.)	and religion as questions seeking such information were included in the INS
	$\begin{bmatrix} \text{the DEO positions.} & (ia., \parallel 11.) \end{bmatrix}$	application. (See Carderella Decl. ¶ 2;
17		Deposition of Hampton Pg. 23 Lines
18		16-20)
19	19. On September 15, 1996, Plaintiff	19. Undisputed.
	inquired about his application for the	13 1 3 1 a 1 a 1 a 1 a 1 a 1 a 1 a 1 a 1
20	DEO position and learned that he had	
21	not been selected. (Compl., ¶¶1&4;	
22	Sneed Decl., ¶2, Ex. A at pp. 46:13-	
	47:15.)	
23	20. On or about September 25, 1996,	20. Undipsuted.
24	Plaintiff contacted a counselor with the	
25	INS Office of Equal Employment	
	Opportunity, claiming that he had not	
26	been selected for the position on the	
27	basis of his race, national origin,	
28	religion and sex. (<i>Id.</i> , at p. 53:6-20.)	
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1	21. Plaintiff did not know Mrs. Wilson	21. Undisputed that Plaintiff did not
2	at the time he applied for the DEO	know Mrs. Wilson. But Disputed that
3	position. Moreover, Plaintiff cannot	Plaintiff does not have evidence that
	set forth evidence that Mrs. Wilson	Mrs. Wilson knew his race, national
4	knew his race, national origin, and/or	origin, and/or religion at the time she
5	religion at the time she made final	made the final recommendation for the
6	recommendations for the DEO	DEO positions. Plaintiff is informed
0	positions. (<i>Id.</i> , at pp. 68:5-69;7 &	and believes that when he filled out
7	74:2; Wilson Decl., ¶11.)	the application for the DEO position
8		he completed a portion of the
		application identifying his race,
9		national origin, sex and religion as
10		questions seeking such information were included in the INS application.
11		(See Carderella Decl. ¶ 2 Deposition
12		of Hampton Pg. 23, Lines 16-20)
12	22. Plaintiff also has no evidence	22.Undisputed
13	regarding the qualifications, race,	
14	national origin, religion or sex of the	
15	vast majority of the individuals who	
	were selected to fill the DEO position.	·
16	(Sneed Decl., ¶2, Ex. A at pp. 41:9-	·
17	43:10, 66:22-67:5, 81:14-82:17 &	
18	84:12-85:28.)	
	23. Plaintiff now admits that his	23.Undisputed
19	religion and sex did not play a role in	
20	his non-selection. (<i>Id.</i> , at p. 95:4-20.)	24 Diameted The DIG 11 C
21	24. An INS workforce profile summary reflects that in the Los	24. Disputed. The INS workforce
	Angeles District, as of March 31, 1997,	profile lacks foundation and is irrelevant to the alleged
22	there were 32 total white DEOs	discrimination. (See Evidentiary
23	(Grades 4 to 7), 17 total black DEOs	Objections filed concurrently herewith
24	(Grades 4 to 7), 27 total Hispanic	to the Decl. of Sekret Sneed and
	DEOs (Grades 4 to 7), and 7 total	Exhibits thereto No. 1)
25	Asian DEOs (Grades 4 to 7). (Sneed	
26	Decl., ¶3, Ex. B.)	
27	25. The workforce profile summary	25. Disputed. The INS workforce
	also reflects that there were 75 total	profile lacks foundation and is
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1	male DEOs (Grades 4 to 7) and 8 total	irrelevant to the alleged
2	male DEOs (Grades 4 to 7) and 8 total female DEOs (Grades 4 to 7). (Sneed	discrimination. (See Evidentiary
3	Decl., ¶3, Ex. B.)	Objections filed concurrently herewith
٦		to the Decl. of Sekret Sneed and
4		Exhibits thereto No. 1)
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	Opposing Party also contends that	the following other material facts are in
6	dispute:	

- 26. The INS destroyed the records and files relating to the filling of the DEO positions after receiving notice on September 25, 1996 from Plaintiff that Plaintiff believed the INS had discriminated against him on the basis of race, national origin, religion and sex in not selecting Plaintiff for any one of the DEO vacancies. (Declaration of Linda M. Smithson, ¶¶2-3; Carderella Decl. ¶ 9
- 27. The INS destroyed the records and files relating to the filling of the DEO positions after receiving notice upon the filing of Plaintiff's discrimination complaint on January 29, 1997 that Plaintiff was claiming the INS discriminated against him on the basis of race, national origin, religion and sex in not selecting Plaintiff for any one of the DEO vacancies. (Declaration of Linda M. Smithson, ¶¶2-3; Carderella Decl. ¶ 9
- 28. The INS destroyed the records and files relating to the filling of the DEO positions despite a policy of the INS that said records and files must be preserved upon notice of a claim for discrimination. (Declaration of Linda M. Smithson, ¶¶2-3; Deposition of Kamala Hampton ("Hampton") Pgs. 34 Line 8-Page 37Line 10)
- 29. The destroyed records and files would have reflected the qualifications and likely the race, national origin, religion and sex of those applicants selected for the DEO vacancies. (Deposition of Hampton Pages 23-4)
- 30. An adverse inference arises from the spoliation of the relevant records and files that the information contained therein would have been favorable to Plaintiff in supporting his discrimination claim against the INS. (Residential Funding Corp. v. Degeorge Fin. Corp., 306 F.3d 99, 107(2d Cir. 2002; also see World Courier v. Barone, No. C 06-3072 THE, 2007 WL 1119196, at *1 (N.D.Cal, April 16, 2007); In re Napster, Inc. 462 F. Supp2d 1060, 1078 (N.D.Cal. 2006)

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1 2	31. Plaintiff completed as part of the application for the DEO position, questions relating to his race, national origin, religion and sex. (Carderella Decl.¶ 2)	
3	32. The INS retained the portion of the application identifying the applicant's race.	
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5	1-18)	
6	33. As a result of Plaintiff not being selected for any of the DEO vacancies, he has	
7	been deprived and will continue to be deprived of the retirement credits and pension rights from September 15, 1996 to present that he otherwise would have	
8 9	been entitled to had he been selected for one of the DEO vacancies. (Carderella Decl. ¶ 20)	
10	24 Disintification and all times and annual annual for the market and CDEO (Condamnilla	
11	34. Plaintiff was at all times relevant qualified for the position of DEO. (Carderella Decl. ¶ 7)	
12	25 Disjustiff was a weekley of a Dustrated Class (Wileto Italian Male) (Condensite	
13	35. Plaintiff was a member of a Protected Class (White, Italian, Male) (Carderella Decl. ¶ 2)	
14	26 Despite his westifications. Disintifferent net salested for one of the second DEO	
15	36. Despite his qualifications, Plaintiff was not selected for any of the vacant DF positions. (Carderella Decl. ¶ 6)	
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17	Dated: August 30, 2010 GOOD, WILDMAN, HEGNESS & WALLEY	
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